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That men, no longer slaves, but free shall be!
It is the voice of Freedom's patient God,
That man shall groan no more beneath the rod!
The Cuban slaves have heard the swelling sound
Of Freedom's hosts fast marching on the ground,
Where late through fire and blood with sword and gun,
The glorious war for Liberty was won!
March onward, glorious band, for equal rights!
God makes man free when he for freedom fights!
Cowards are always slaves, and have no share
In the sweet spoils of those who *do* and *dare*!
Cuba is free! now let Brazil awake,
From her vile bondage and her fetters break!
And join the northern chorus of the free,
That swells from land to land and sea to sea!

THE MAL-AMENDED SCHOOL LAW OF WEST VIRGINIA.

MARTINSBURG, W. Va.,
September 17, 1879.

Mr. Editor:

The crocodile, by means of the sun and sand, hatches from its egg, and without the aid of father or mother, soon grows to perfection. The preceding can not be said of man, who, in and from infancy to maturity, requires a multiplicity of care and teaching to properly develope him physically, morally, intellectually and religiously. Not that religion is the most trivial, because lastly referred to, but a proper training of the other three enables one to appreciate and love it the more. The population of West Virginia is about 426,459 whites and 18,541 colored or one colored person to twenty-four whites. Out of eighteen thousand five hundred and forty-one colored tax-paying, law-abiding citizens not one has ever held an office, sat on the jury-bench nor even been trustee over his own "separate" school in this State. The way in which they continue to legislate against his speedy progress proves conclusively that they do not want him to be an educated citizen. But as Douglass, Garnett and others cut their way through prejudice and many obstacles to acknowledgable eminence, so will we dingy-faced mountaineers, or in the language of a Shanghai (F. F. V.) correspondent, "The remnant of the dark ages" do.

Inasmuch as the Negro possesses an equal proportion of the Godhead, he is a susceptible being; hence he is liable to wants and protection, and the law that does not provide for his general improvement is diabolically framed. Heretofore the grades of certificates stood as follows: No. 1, very good; No. 2., good; No. 3. medium; No. 4., below medium; No. 5., indifferent. The last Legislature nullified the fourth and fifth grades for white teachers, but virtually let them remain for colored teachers as the following will show. The first, second and third grades stand as usual with the exception of the annexed stipulation of section 28 of the West Virginia school law. "That no white teacher is to be employed who does not at least hold a No. 3. certificate, but colored teachers (hobbies) may be employed on a grading to be determined by the Board of Education of the district," the absurdity of which is a stigma upon the state that claimed loyalty in 1862. The school law was a confusion before, but now it is worse confounded; for over three thousand colored children in this State are preparatory *blank citizens* and will probably go to eternity mere ciphers by having been deprived of the benefits of the Free School System. "They are too scattering to constitute schools." Ah! there is a day they'll be gathered together.

The State Superintendent, Mr. Penelton, by mis-interpretation, made it obligatory upon colored teachers in Teachers' Institutes to act like the Irishman's clock, i. e., "Be jabers ye mi look but don't ye tooke." A rustic, after having eaten a quart of strawberries, remarked that "The Lord never made a worse berry, but I suppose he could have done it." So the Lord never made a worse set of legislators, but I suppose he could have. How the educated whites can legislate against the identical people in this wide-awake nineteenth century, who gave them their intelligence and wealth, is a mystery to the writer. Who will be the unfolding interpreter? I don't want Mr. Penelton to do it. "Do you mean to say that the Negros educated the whites and gave them wealth?" Yes, the majority. "Prove it." Well Sir, when you were going to school the Negro was irksomely toiling to make money to clothe, feed, and pay your expenses, and when work failed to produce a sufficient amount of funds he was sold to the highest bidder in order that you might shine intellectually. Who cleared your millions of acres, split your billions of rails and built your fine mansions but your slaves? Yea, beautiful America as she stands to-day here and there paradistic resorts, fields and gardens second to none on earth.

It is a summed-up fact that the Negro has given America not only in peace but in war "respectability, greatness and power." But Mr. Editor, we are not going to fight over the above, for as I stated, we are law-abiding citizens and must necessarily be as long as we stand numerically as we do, one to twenty-four. We are also law-abiding citizens for another reason, viz: God is for us and we are resolved to realize our "salvation" O how good the Lord is to the Negro! Little did our forefathers think that they were working to educate this and future generations. It is verily true; for the man who owned the most slaves and through them accumulated the most wealth, educates the most colored and poor white children. With the strongest emphasis I say, *Thank God* for making our ancestors' labor a perpetual capital at compound interest. This State wants teachers with vim, backed up by a thorough, practical education to contend for justice at examinations. Don't infer that we have no good teachers in the State for we have. Among the counties, Jefferson is the best supplied, though Wheeling and other Western towns have good teachers. The reader can judge whether Berkley can boast of the same. In an Institute last winter the following question was asked a colored teacher. What part of speech is horse? Ans. A verb, sir. Always a verb? Yes, sir. In the same Institute another colored teacher was asked how many pints in a quart, and answered, "seven." The West Virginia children seem to realize that there is fruit beneath the verbal shell, and their re-echoing appeals are competent tutors to crack the nuts Let me say to all good teachers in search of schools, you will find a hearty welcome in West Virginia; but don't come as some have, with their Greek and Latin banners floating on the breeze and void of the first principles of our mother tongue, but come masters of the English, which to impart correctly is the Plymouth Rock of our educational success.

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A Teacher's Funeral.

A SOLEMN CEREMONY AT THE NINETEENTH STREET CHURCH.

A fortnight ago the Nineteenth Street Baptist Church presented, on the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of the Sabbath school connected with it, a bright and cheerful appearance. Yesterday afternoon its sombre surroundings plainly indicated to the large audience present "to speak softly, that death was near." The sad event, which brought in one common bereavement relatives, teachers, pupils friends, was the funeral obsequies of Fannie Z. Bradford, late a teacher in the colored public schools of Washington. The solemn cortege entered the church, preceded by Dr. Samuel Le Court Cook and Dr. John Francis, the former bearing a broken column, the gift of the teachers of the colored schools of Washington and Georgetown, composed principally of tube-roses and white buds, capped with heliotropes. The latter carried the floral gift of the ladies teaching in the Stevens school building, in which the deceased taught, which consisted of an anchor, heart, cross and crown combined, made of the choicest exotics. The pupils of the Nineteenth Street Sabbath school showed their love for their late teacher by presenting a magnificant garland, composed of beautiful flowers, tied with black and white ribbon, bearing the words, "Only asleep." The floral offerings, though silent, were eloquent in their richness and expressive in their form of the high esteem and love entertained for the deceased by the donors. The choir, composed of pupils belonging to the Sabbath school, sang in plaintive melody, "Shall we meet beyond the river," after which Dr. Geo. Brodie, pastor of Union Bethel Church, read the hymn, "Asleep in Jesus! blessed sleep." The solemn services were continued by Rev. Jesse Bolden read from the 19th chapter of Job, 23d verse: "Oh, that my words were now written! Oh, that they were printed in a book!" followed with prayer by Rev. Sandy Alexander. After singing "One by one we pass away," the pastor in charge, Rev. Jesse Bolden, selected as the subject of his discourse Revelations, 14th chapter 13th verse, and spoke eloquently of the application of the Scriptural injunctions to the deceased, referring to his usefulness in the Sabbath school and church, and closed by making an earnest appeal to those present to perpetuate the memory of the deceased by following the example set by her. The deceased was in every respect identified with our public schools—entering them as a pupil in her almost infancy and remaining until she had successfull passed through every grade as a scholar and then served as a sub-assistant, assistant and full teacher—her name being on the roll up to the day of her death. The record of the School Board contained no name more respected, and the school officers attest her faithfulness. Among those present were Trustee Brooks, ex-trustee Johnson, Superintendent Cook and almost the entire corps of ladies teaching in the colored schools.—*Republican.*

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The New York *Sun* looks upon the acquittal of Gully, the Chisolm murderer, as a telling Republican argument, and, as to its effect on the Presidential election, says:

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The tide of events flows rapidly on to a free Cuba.

Hart, the colored pedestrian is making a good record.

The acquittal of Gully for the murder of Chisholm is making Republican voters by the wholesale.

Three slave-holders in Cuba have emancipated 6000 slaves and contracted with them for their services for five years.

J. M. Langston has publicly announced his intention of locating in Virginia at the close of his term in Hayti next year.

Among its subscribers in the city of Richmond. the "Virginia Star" numbers more than three hundred and fifty white ones.

The return of Gen. Grant to the country has awakened from the press, from sea to sea, an echo of that universal regard in which he is held by the loyal people of this country without regard to party, race or color.

Great Britan in dividing Zululand among chiefs, sows the seed of discord among rival chiefs, theaeby postponing, if not absolutely preventing a union offensive and defensive against John Bull's encroachments. Let us drink in silence to Cetywayo!

If the colored people of the second or fourth Congressional districts of Virginia were to nominate and elect John M. Langston for Congress, it would not be mere remarkable than the action of the Democrats of the third district in electing Gen. Joe. Johnson, who ever since the war had lived in other Southern States.

Fourteen free scholarships in the Atlanta University have been tendered to the colored youth of Georgia. The selection will be made upon a competitive examination in spelling, reading, penmanship, primary geography, English grammar and in arithmetic decimal fractions. Each pupil aided is to receive $72.

"Frank Leslie's Illustrated Weekly" will have a special correspondent and artist on the grounds during the Great Industrial Exposition by the colored people of North Carolina to take place in Raleigh, Nov. 17, for the purpose of making full reports and sketches for their widely circulated paper.

It is one of the signs of progress that in the Capital of the Old Dominion a prisoner can be both prosecuted and defended in an appeal case exclusively by colored lawyers. It is a great step forward when the commonwealth's attorney believes that the interests of the State can be well and faithfully served by a colored attorney. Such a coincidence took place Monday: Wm, C. Roane represented the Commonwealth and R. P. Brooks, the defendant.

It seems as if there is no end to the brutality of the South Carolina Democrats in their attempt to stop the growth of Republicans.

Their last was the assault of Postmaster Nix, a colored Republican, because he succeeded an unreconstructed postmistress, who was proven guilty of tampering with the mails, and on many an occasion, of displaying her intense partisan nature to the neglect of the business of the office. We commend the action of the Postmistress General on the premises. If these Democrats cannot stand a Postmaster who will give all parties their mail let them have no Post-office facilities. Meanwhile, let the criminals be vigorously prosecuted.

We well recollect how in 1867 when the first Republican convention was ridiculed as a "mongrel assembly, black and tan," etc.

Then, no true blue "Conservative" would affiliate socially with a white Republican much less a black radical. Last Monday night, Postmaster Forbes accompanied by Police Justice White, a Democrat, was present at a banquet given in honor of Minister Langston and both toasted and responded to the health of Minister Langston as a high type of the American Negro and an honor to his native State and country. Justice White has encouraged Messers Brooks and Roane in the pursuit of their profession heartily extending to them those courtesies which only a young lawyer can appreciate.

We hail Mr. Henry Johnson as an advocate of Industrial Education. If he reads the proceedings of the late National Conference, he will perceive what it had to say about this $300,000 unclaimed colored bounty. We desire a polytechnic Institute located at Harper's Ferry, the centre of a rich coal and iron region, where the government already has valuable property and where there is ample water-power. Mr. Johnson mtstakes in concluding that the girls are already provided for because a few positions as teachers are open to them. He may doubt it, but it is a fact that there are scores of girls in their teens attending the public schools who cannot sew a button on decently, or properly hem a handkerchief. What we want, is Industrial Education for both girls and boys. It is a local as well as a national need for both sexes.

Minister Langston in Richmond.

Hon. John Mercer Langston, Minister Resident and Consul General to the court of Hayti, accompanied by his friends, J. Wesley Cromwell, Esq., Editor of the PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE and William E. Matthews, Esq., of Baltimore, Md., arrived in Richmond on the 10 o'clock p. m. train from Washington on Saturday last in response to an invitation extended by the Virginia Educational and Historical Society. They were met at the depot by a delegation of gentlemen headed by Mr. J. Gordon Baugh, whose guests they became while in the city.

The visit of these gentlemen at this time has stirred Richmond to its very depths, and has been fraught with consequences which we trust will throw its helpful influence far into the future and be weaved into the history of our dear old commonwealth.

Sunday was a damp, moist, forbidding day, but under the escort of Mr. Baugh they were driven in the morning to the Second Baptist church, Rev. Walter H. Brooks pastor, and in the afternoon to the First African church. which you remember is the largest church in the State, if not in the country, having a membership of over four thousand souls.

The evening was spent quietly, but delightfully at the residence of Mr. John Dabney on Broad-street.

Monday morning the gentlemen were the guests of Mr. John Oliver to breakfast. At noon, under the escort of Dr. Furguson and Mr. Baugh, they were taken in carriages to see the principal sights in and around Richmond, including the new reservoir, the tobacco factories, the Richmond College, the Common and Normal Schools, winding up at the Custom House at three o'clock where they were most cordially received by Collector Russel and Postmaster Forbes.

At four o'clock a complimentary dinner party was given Minister Langston and his friends at the residence of J. Gordon Baugh, 212 West Duval street, which was a most elegant affair and reflects much credit upon the host. Mr. Langston sat on the right of the host, and Mr. J. W. Cromwell, president of the Historical and Educational Society on the left. William E. Matthews, Dr. Furguson, R. P. Brooks, J. E. Farrar, James Turner, P. F. Woolfolk and John Oliver were among those present. After the dinner had been discussed, the health of Minister Langston was proposed and drank standing, to which Mr. Langston made an able and eloquent reply. The next toast, "The great names of our race," was most ably responded to by Mr. Matthews, who paid a graceful and eloquent tribute to the great names of the race who have wrought and achieved in their day and generation, and urged the young men of to-day not to doubt or falter until they, too, had written their names high by the performance of some worthy deed. Without concluding, the party separated as the time for the lecture was approaching.

At night the great meeting took place at the Third-street A. M. E. church. The house was filled with the best people of Richmond, many whites being present among whom were Col. Forbes postmaster of the city, Collector Russell of the Internal Revenue, Police Justice White and Mr. Nelson, one of the ablest men of the bar.

On the platform were seated President J. W. Cromwell, the orator of the evening, Hon: J. M. Langston, William E. Matthews and J. G. Baugh. Mr. Cromwell as president of the Association under whose auspices the meeting was held, presided, and made a brief but able speech, in which he gave the aims and scope of the society, closing by introducing Mr. R. L. Borser, who read in excellent taste an essay on "The Teacher and Society." After music by a select choir, the orator of the evening, Hon. John Mercer Langston, was introduced, who, in a speech of one hour and a half, held the audience spell-bound by the magic and power of his eloquence and logic. His subject was "The conditions of a worthy Future," and these conditions he thought were education, self-reliance, christian morality and industry. He showed the power of money rightly used, and the relation of the citizen to the State. He incidently alluded to the exodus, applauded it, and thanked God for it. Altogether it was a broad, able, scholarly discussion of the elements most needed at this hour by our people, and was just such a production as one would expect from such a man as Minister Langston. It was well received, as the aboundant applause testified, and as Judge White subsequently said at the banquet, "no abler speech had been made in Richmond in fifteen years." Although it was past ten, yet the audience lingered. The president in a few graceful words introduced Mr. W. E. Matthews, who, in an speech of an half hour, delighted his audience, and made a decidedly impressive and eloquent speech. His thoughts were elevated and forcibly and accurately put in an easy but impressive manner.

After the lecture Messers. Langston, Cromwell, Matthews and Baugh were taken to the Fry Hotel by a committee consisting of Messrs. R P. Brooks, S. Clarkson and Dr. J. C. Ferguson. At this place a large number of gentlemen, including, besides at the afternoon dinners, Messrs. Turner. Brooks, A. R. and Rev. W. H. Anderson, Taylor, Capt. Crump, W. H. Lester, Christian, Denicle and others, whose names we cannot recall, were preesent. After the blessing had been asked by Rev. Brooks, a vigorous warfare was made on sheepshead, sora, fried and stewed oysters, salads, wines and the usual accompaniments. The banquet was served by Emmet Scott of Pizzini's. Dr. Ferguson, who acted as toast-master at the afternoon dinner, occupied the same position at the banquet. "The health of Minister Langton" brought that gentleman to his feet and in a speech he recalled the incidents in connection with his study of law. The first toast, "the colored press," was briefly responded to by Mr. J. W. Cromwell of the *Advocate*. "The young colored man in the professions," called forth the rising lawyer R. P. Brooks, who in a strain of that marvellous eloquence, for which he is characteristic, thrilled the assembled guests. "The colored man in trades," called forth John Oliver, who had but fairly got under weigh, when his oratory was brought to an end by the arrival of Postmaster Forbes and Justice White. The party retired to the parlor and these gentlemen were serverally introduced to the honored guests. Speeches were then made by Messrs. Forbes and White, in which they landed to the skies the magnificent oratory of Mr. Langston. The strains of music were then heard and it became apparent that a serenade was at hand. Loud calls were made for Minister Langston, who in the course of his speech publicly announced his intention of becoming a citizen at the close of his term of office in Hayti. This declaration was received with the wildest applause. The band played "Hail Columbia," Justice White playing the air on the violin. Not only this, but it occasioned some of the most effective speeches of the evening.

Matthews, R. P. and Rev. W. H. Brooks, J. W. Cromwell. White and Forbes, in turn, were called on and replied, until the hour of four Tuesday morning, when the party separated for their homes.

The fraternal spirit occasioned by the presence of these gentlemen, we look to see permeate the entire community and State—giving to the colored race greater confidence in their struggling young men in the profession, and from the whites occasioning that equal recognition which ability, earnestness, integrity and perserverance are bound to win.

VIDETTE.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 24, 1879.

The leading article in the *North American Review* for October is by Francis Parkman, and is entitled "The Woman Question." It discusses the proposed extension of suffrage to women, and takes strong conservative ground. All the principal arguments against giving women the right to vote, are brought together and exhaustively treated. The second paper (Science and Humanity) is a lucid and forcible exposition of the Philosophy of Comte, by his leading English disciple, Frederic Harrison. No one who reads it can fail to get a fair view of the main doctrines of religion which Positivism proposes. The third article, "Louis Napoleon and the Southern Confederacy," by Owen F. Aldis, is a statement made from the Confederate archives of the relations that existed between the French emperor and the Southern States during the War the Rebellion. "The Railway Problem," by Robert Garrett, is a timely article upon the methods of operating our vast railway system, which are just at present the object of so much criticism. The third part of "The Diary of a Public Man," is of equal interest with the portions which have already been published. The extracts now given relate to Sumner's opposition to Cameron, the curious telegram sent to Jefferson Davis, concerning the tone which President Lincoln's inaugural address was to have, and many incidents of Inauguration Day and the week preceding. The sixth article, by Prof. E. L. Youman's, and entitled "Spencer's Evolution Philosophy," contains a statement in detail of the various works of Mr. Spencer and gives an excellent summary of the main feature of the theory of Evolution. The number closes with "Recent History and Biography," a review of five books relating to American History, by A. K. Fiske.

Appletons' Journal for October gives the second installment of Mrs. Edward's brilliant novel, "Vivian the Beauty," and a continuation of "The Seamy Side," by Messrs. Besant and Rice. The third of Karl Blind's papers on "Russian Conspiracies" appears, which concludes the series. The revelation which these papers give of life under the Czars is certainly startling. Mr. W. H. Mallock's latest contribution to the ethic and æsthetic discussions of the day is entitled "A Dialogue on Human Happiness," and this is given in full. It is a brilliant and suggestive paper. From Matthew Arnold we have an article entitled The French Play in London," which is not only an analysis of the French theatre as exhibited recently in London, but a comparison of the French and English drama, with some fresh and acute comments on the nature of poetry "Art and Criticism" is devoted to the discussion of certain art theories now current in London. "Leaves from the Laurels of Moliere" is a very readable paper on the great French humorous dramatist. A description of a remarkable rocky group in Utah, known as "The City of Rocks," and poems by Locker, Fawcett, and others. complete the body of the number.

The editor has for his topics "The Nude in Art once more." "Women as Horticulturists," and "Art and Democracy;" and in the "Books of the Day" reviews some of the more important of recent publications.

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Spirit of the Colored Press.

IN potency in social action the press, among the whites, is more effective than the pulpit. Among the colored people there is less general reading, and on that account only the colored press is not so effective as the pulpit is. But it is a manifest and significant fact that whereas but a few years ago there was no influence exerted over the colored people by the colored press, now the colored papers, under the exclusive management of intelligent colored men, are moving the masses in political and social action.

And as unity of sentiment and unity of action are needed in assuming the leadership of the people in race issues and interests, as our peculiar situation creates the necessity, it is proposed to have a convention of the representatives of the colored people of the United States. This we approve, knowing, as we do, if such a convention shall agree, touching a policy for the maintenance of the rights of colored persons as citizens, and touching the best method of internal improvement in morals, culture and material acquisition, it will be the beginning of a work that cannot fail of good results. We are painfully a disunited people. Our pulpit is so characterized by selfishness that its power for good in matters of general interest are held back. So it is needful that the press come to the front and begin the work of molding the masses into live, intelligent, active and virtuous men and women.—National Monitor.

THE paper read at Saratoga is certainly a very able presentation of Mr Douglass' views on the exodus question, and affords matter for the thoughtful consideration of the American public. Frederick Douglass stands the foremost man of his race. His name and fame—his spotless record and matchless ability—are household legacies dear to every black man; and though thousands of his race differ widely from him on this question, his opinions will receive the respectful considerations to which his devotion to his race entitle them. It is needless to say we have no sympathy with the silly nincumpoops who are decrying Mr. Douglass as an enemy to his race because of his opposition to the exodus — [illegible]dianapolis Leader.

THE colored man asks for no more than he is entitled to; but he wants all of that. and he cannot help but be displeased and offended when his best endeavors are spoken of only to render him personally ridiculous.

Let at least the educated portion of the white race use decent English when Negroes are the subject of their discourse, and henceforth abandon such slang as "nigger" and "darky" to the ignorant, the malicious, and the vulgar.—Virginia Star.

Odd-Fellowship.

The spirit for State Grand Lodges has been before several A. M. C of the Grand United Order of Odd-Fellows, and seems to be growing in favor. There are now four propositions for State Grand Lodges. The PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE says: "The time and circumstances are ripe and peremptorily demand them, and under their guidance the Order can enter upon a career of increased usefulness, and attract to its numbers many who are patience-worn under the present plan." We need State Grand Lodges to hear, entertain and decide upon all appeals of grievances coming up from subordinate lodges. The Order is now too strong and useful to be governed by a Committee of Management. A Grand Lodge of State officers can look after the order and manage it better than a Committee. Tennessee has already thirty-four lodges, with nineteen hundred members to begin with.—Emigration Herald and Pilot.

Order Restored in Hayti.

PORT AU PRINCE. Sept. 10.—Public tranquility had been somewhat re-established. The Provincial Government is master of the situation, and is busily engaged in forming a new legislative assembly for the election of a President. The principal candidates for the Presidency now are Messrs. Salmon, Tannis, and Montgomery. In the fire at Gonaives, on the 17th ult., one hundred and eighty-four houses were destroyed. The coffee crop is deemed large, and of good quality.

Spain and the Cuban Slaves.

MADRID, Tuesday 23.—The Cortes will reopen on November 3. The Government has received a memorial from the Cuban slaveholders, asking for a prompt solution of the slavery question. The memorial states that unless steps are speedily taken by the authorities, the planters must themselves set the slaves free to prevent their property being burned The Government has replied, expressing the hope that the plantation proprietors will act in conjunction with the Captain-General of Cuba, and in a spirit of patriotism.

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An unhappy termination of a wedding occurred about three miles east of this city a few evenings ago, about which my informant gave me the following facts: The wedding passed off pleasantly, every one going happy after wishing the bride a smooth and prosperous voyage on the rough sea of life. After the bridal pair had retired to rest and were oblivious to all the world but themselves, some wag or wags procured two ferocious old cats and tied their tails together; by some means they slipped them into the bridal chamber, when a most terrific fight took place between the cats; the room being very dark their eye-balls flashed like living flames. The scene that took place no pen can describe. The bride in her fright jumped out thro' the closed window, carrying sash, glass and all with her, the groom following suit. Fortunately the room was on the lower floor and the bride received only one or two cuts on her hands. The groom has not been heard from since. I guess this is about this about the first instance on record where cats were instrumental in divorcing man and wife.—Rombert in *Satte Journal*, (Parkersburg, W. Va.)

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—Societies and Churches desiring local notices of their entertainments and other special exercises in order to ensure the same should send complimentary tickets.

—The statement is made (officially) that Wm. T. Given, 1104 12th street is selling those splendid "Nickle" segars, all long Havana filler, at 4 cents each. They are all the rage. See his advertisement.

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—The celebrated base-ball match between the married and single nines of the Excelsior Club will be played Thursday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock on the National grounds. Admission free.

Preparations for the Odd Fellows celebration at Congregational Church Oct. 15th are being rapidly pushed.

The National Emigration Aid Society proposes a Grand Exodus meeting at Lincoln Hall, Tuesday evening Oct. 7th. Minister John M. Langston will define his views on the Exodus, and plans for affording systematic relief to the emigrants will be presented. O. S. B. Wall is president and J. H. Adams sec'ty.

The Ladies Unity Benevolent Society, will celebrate their 6th anniversary by giving an entertainment at Bethel Hall, Thursday and Friday evenings, October 2d and 3rd, 1879. As usual they expect a large crowd.

One of the bricklayers at work on the new building going up 17th and Pa. ave, is Mr. Ferris a colored man. When put to work he was assigned to arches and corner work, in which he has been so successful as to be generally considered the best mechanic of the force. Mr. F. is originally from Virginia. He bossed the brick work of the Seaton and Sumner School buildings, Israel C. M. E. Church, and the Freedmen's Bank Building.

—The regular quarterly exercises of Union Wesley Sabbath School was held last Sabbath in Union Wesley Church. Addresses were delivered by Revds. Alfred Day, John Daniel, Supt. A. Grant, Wm. C. Costin, Supt. Beckett and J. A. Johnson. The church was crowded and much interest was manifested in the proceedings. A feature of the exercises was the singing of John Wesley Sabbath School under the direction of Prof. Purims Simmons chorister.

—The Bethlehem Sunday School of Hillsdale will hold its 5th Anniversary on next Sunday, the 28th, inst., at 3 o'clock p. m. The The Pioneer School of Hillsdale and the 4th and 5th Baptist schools of Washington have accepted invitations to be present.

Prof. J. D. Baltimore, Mr. G. H. Richardson and others will address the meeting.

—An entertainment will be given by Peter Ogden Lodge No. 1374 G. U. O. of O. F., at Bethel Hall, on M street, on Thursday evening, October 9th. Doors open at 7 o'clock p. m. and close at 1 o'clock a. m. Admission 25 cents.

SELIKA IN PHILADELPHIA.

On Thursday, Oct. 2nd, Bethel Church gives a concert in said church, 6th street, below Pine, one of the leading singers is Mad. Selika, the Prima Donna, assisted by D. W. Parvis and an efficient chorus. Mr. Cromwell, chairman, intends to make it the concert of the season. Admission has been lowered to 25 cents, thereby giving all persons so wishing, a chance to hear the celebrated singer Madame Selika.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 22, 1879.

To the Editor of the People's Advocate.

I have noticed in several of the papers the masterpiece of Mr. Fred. Douglass, read before the Social Science Association, at Saratoga. I also saw an editorial on it in the People's Advocate of the 20th inst. Now, Mr. Editor, please let me say to the papers, and the people, that favor the exodus of the Negro, that they need not give themselves any uneasiness whatever, so far as Mr. Douglass' written argument is concerned, for they may rest assured, that it will have no effect on the millions, that live in those oppressed states.

When you hear of this splendid orator leaving Washington, D. C. to go to Virginia, thence through the several Southern states, making his effective speeches and logical arguments to the millions that know not of Sarratoga, and the hundreds of thousands that know nothing about the existence of the great Negro orator, then, and not until then, will all of his writings and arguments have much effect upon the Negro exodus question. So we, who favor the movement of our people from the evils which they know, to those of which they know not, need not fear the opposition of our leader, so long as he makes a display of his eloquence between the City of Washington and Maine.

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Getting out of debt.

The Pastor of the 15th street church, Rev. Frank J. Grimke and the Trustees have fully determined to pay of the last cent of indebtedness on the edifice during the present year. Three years ago the debt was $14,000, now it is $25,000. A congregational meeting was held on Wednesday evening and over $1,000 subscribed on the spot. Mr. Wyatt Archer leading off with $25, Mr. C. C. Caldwell following with $20, the average subscription was $10. Another $500, will come from the members not present at the meeting. A grand Selika concert in November, and a fair in December will add many other dollars. Success to those who deserve it, by working for it.

The Latest Sensation

is a prospective base ball match between a "Married" and "Single" nine, made up from the past, present and future base ballists of our city, which is expected to come off on the grounds of the National Base Ball Club, on Thursday afternoon.

The candidates for air carving and torn unmentionables are given below.

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PERSONAL.

W. H. Bell of this city has decided to make St. Louis his home.

J. P. Ball, Jr., editor of the *Concordia Eagle*, La. is a candidate for the clerk of Court in his parish.

Spencer Murray Jr. and lady will be at home to their friends to-morrow at their residence R. I. avenue bet. 13th and 14th street.

Mrs. Gray, the matron of the Orphan Asylum who has just died at Richmond is the mother of Mr. Hill, the plasterer at Philadelphia and grandmother of Andrew J. and J. E. Hill.

Prof. Inman E. Page has been on a lecturing tour through Missouri, visiting the school and acquainting himself with their methods of instruction, also looking out for the interests of Lincoln Institute in which he is an instructor.

Mr. P. C. Williams and S. S. Perry, of North Carolina passed through Norfolk Wednesday *en route* to Kansas, *via*. Washington, D. C., they are the advance agents of a colony numbering 200 or 300, that are to follow soon from Eastern North Carolina and settle in Russel County, Kan. They report the Negroes preparing to go West as soon as the crops are gathered.

Mr. W. C. Chase will address the Pioneer S. S. Association, Sunday, Oct. 5th 1879 at 3 o'clock. Subject: What the Bible teaches. The Singing Department of St. Paul, South Washington, and Allen's Chapel at Good Hope have been invited and will sing the accasion. Rev. Daniel Draper will act as Chaplain.

Church Directory.

M. E.

Asbury, southwest corner of 11th and K sts., n. w., Rev. E. W. S. Peck, pastor. Preaching. 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m., and 3 p. m.

Ebenezer, corner D and 4th street, s. e., Rev. P. G. Walker, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.,; Sunday school at 9 a. m.

Asbury Mission, boundary and 10th street, n. w.

Mt. Zion, Mill near West Georgetown. Rev. Jas. W. Dansbury, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

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Israel, northwest corner 1st and B streets, n. w., Rev. C. W. Fitzhugh, A. M., pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m.; Sunday school at 9 a. m.

A. M. E.

Union Bethel, M between 15th and 16th streets, n w, Rev G W Brodie, pastor Preaching at 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; Sunday school at 9 a. m. and 3 p. m.

Mt. Pisgah, R street near 10th, n. w. Rev. Joseph Nicholls, pastor. Service, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; Sunday school 9 a. m.

St. Paul, 8th between D and E streets, s. w. Rev. D. Draper, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; Sunday school 9 a. m.

Metropolitan, C street, s. e. Rev. R. H. Cain, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

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BAPTIST.

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Second Baptist, 3rd near I street, n. w. Rev. Madison Gaskins, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m., and 3 p. m.

Third Baptist, Franklin between 3rd and 4th. Rev. William B. Jefferson, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

Fourth Baptist, R between 12th and 13th streets, n. w. Rev. Robert Johnson, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

Fifth Baptist, Vermont avenue between Q and R streets, n. w. Rev. John H. Brooks, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m. Sunday school, 9 a. m. Singing, 3 p. m.

Berean Baptist, 18th between L and M sts., n. w. Rev. William Waring, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m. Praise meeting, 5 p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

Liberty Baptist, E between 17th and 18th streets, n. w. Rev. Edward Willis, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

Shiloh Baptist, L near 17th street, n. w. Rev. William J. Walker, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

Zion, F near 4½ street, s. w. Rev. William Gibbons, pastor. Preaching 11 a. m,. and 8 p. m.; Sundaay school, 9 a. m.

Bethlem, Hillsdale. Rev. H. Scott, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m.. and 8 p. m. Sunday school, 9 a. m.

Enon, C between 6th and 7th, streets, s. e. Rev. Temple S. Robinson, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

First, Dunbarton and Monroe str., Georgetown. Rev. Sandy Alexander, pastor. Preaching 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

Rehoboth, 1st. between N and O streets, s. w. Rev. Henry Bailor, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 8 p, m.; Sunday school, a. m.

Salem Mission, 18th and Cedar. Rev. J. Robinson, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; Sunday school, a. m.

First, 6th and Va., ave., s. w. Rev. Robert S. Laws, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

First, 6th near G street, South Washington Rev. Wm. H. Lee, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

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Union Wesley, 23rd and L streets, n. w. Ree. R. J. Daniel, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

Galbraith Chapel, L between 4th and 5th streets, n. w. Rev. A. Day, pastor. Preaching, 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

Zion Wesley, D between 2nd and 3rd streets, n. w. Rev. S. S. Wales, pastor. Preaching. 11 a. m., and 7½ p. m.; Sunday school, 9 a. m.

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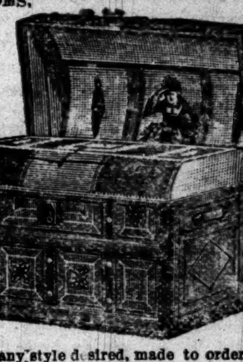

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PHILADELPHIA NOTES.

BY HOWARD.

On Thursday September 4th, the Old Reliable Club held a pic-nic at South Broad St. Park, which was well attended.

An association of Cherry St. Baptist Church called the Willing Hearts and Hands, gave an excursion to Atlantic City on the 4th inst., which was very fine.

Wannamaker Mission held a festival on the 5th, being the opening of an industrial school for the scholars and others there was a very good attendance.

Prof. Clark, the South American Chiropodist has returned home and opened his office at 1315 Market st. and private office at 1719 Addison st. where he is prepared to attend his many friends and patrons.

Gloucester Mission on the 9th inst. gave an entertainment. It was of a literary character and was very good, the many friends of the Mission were well pleased and went home promising their hearty support in future. We have it, from a reliable source that the mutals of your city have resolved not to come here to play the Williams' Club, there being some of the members away and other members not wishing to come.

On Tuesday evening next the 23rd, a moonlight excursion will be given down the Delaware on the steamer Edwin Forrest, leaving Arch st. wharf at 8 p. m., and returning at 2 a. m., by a committee of ladies and gentlemen of whom Mr. F. C. Baxter, Jr. is chairman. Mr. B. says the committee will do all in their power to make it a success.

At the present time there is being made up a colored regiment in this city which is in a fair way to become a permanent success; we hear that H. P. Williams is to be Major. We are not acquainted with Mr. Williams' record as a soldier, and therefore we can not tell how well fitted he is for the position, we only hope that Mr. W. will use his best efforts to make the regiment something for the colored citizens of Philadelphia to be proud of.

On Thursday September 11th, a grand joint excursion was given by the Holy Royal Arch Masons of Philadelphia, to Atlantic City. It was the largest excursion of the Summer carrying over 4200 persons; after a drill, the crowds dispersed to seek pleasure in various ways. There was nothing to mar the pleasure of the day, and all concerned were well pleased with the excursion.

On Friday the 12th, the Crescent Social Club, gave a *fete* at Rising Sun Park, the officers, J. H. Seeley, pres; R. N. Taylor, vice-pres.; W. H. Martiner, treas.; J. B. Lowe, sect'y, used all the means in their power to make it a success and they were well rewarded, as the *fete* was attended by the *elite* of this city. The day was fine and the attendance good.

On Monday night there was a meeting held by ladies at the High School, the object of which was to see about the bazaar so much talked of last Spring, the object was stated by Miss F. Jackson to be in aid of the *Christian Recorder*; Mrs Dr. Riley also spoke, and it was decided to open on the 19th of November and continue ten days, to be held in Masonic Hall. Miss J. has received things from different parts of the Union and wishes to have each state represented. More information may be obtained at the office of the *Christian Recorder*.

In Memoriam.

"Evening yields the world to night, and the light growing more aerial on the mountain tops, reminds us that as this bright day is closing, so must the day of man's existence decline into dust and darkness; and withall its sick toilings, and its joys and griefs, sink into the still eternity."

I am sitting in the soft twilight under the aged trees in the garden of the "Old Becraft Homestead" as these beautiful lines flit across my mind and bring back to me the remembrance of Miss Caroline Becraft, who for more than half a century cheered this lovely spot with her angelic presence. Miss Carrie was the daughter of the late William and Sarah Becraft who were decendents of one of the oldest families in America. She and her sister Mrs. Sarah Boden at one time carried on one of the largest dress making establishments in the District, ladies coming from all directions to learn under the skilled Miss Becraft. Miss Carrie was of an affectionate and gentle disposition and was beloved by all who knew her. She spent her noble life in scattering blessings around her, always comforting the afflicted and distressed. Few have met the inevitable hour with so spotless a reputation as did this almost sainted lady. Her illness lasted many weary months and was painful in the extreme, but a sigh never escaped those patient lips,

"O! how sublime a thing it is
To suffer and be strong."

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"Sweet fields beyond the swelling flood
Stand dressed in living green."

We look to those scenes or try to behold them:

"The wide unbounded prospect lies before us:
But shadows, clouds, and darkness rest upon it."

The parting veil was lifted before *her* in her last illness and *she* saw clearly. For many years she was a devoted member of Trinity Church in Georgetown and was highly esteemed by the pastor and members for her *many virtues* and her *charitable* disposition. And now after a long *virtuous* and *christain* life, the memory of which her friends will ever cherish, full of hope and crowned with glory, she—

"Has gone from this strange world of ours.
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No more to linger where sunbeams must fade;
Where, on all beauty, death's fingers are laid.
Weary with mingling life's bitter and sweet;
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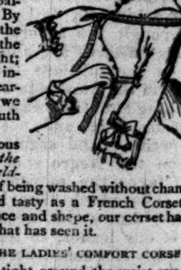

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